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October 28, 2004

Mr Pat Miller, Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243-0505

Re:

Tennessee Regulatory Authority (TRA) Docket No. 03-00486 Entergy Arkansas, Inc Request for Approval to Enter Into Certain Financing Transactions During the Years 2004 Through 2006

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Dear Mr. Miller:

Pursuant to the approving Order issued October 31, 2003, in TRA Docket No. 03-00486, please find attached for filing with the TRA the original and thirteen copies of Entergy Arkansas, Inc 's compliance financing report filed October 28, 2004, with the Arkansas Public Service Commission in APSC Reporting Docket No. 86-033-A and APSC Docket No. 03-139-U.

This report is in regard to EAI's October 12, 2004, issuance of \$60 million aggregate principal amount of First Mortgage Bonds.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to call me at 501-377-5489

Sincerely,

William R Morgan

Manager, Regulatory Affairs

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Attachments



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Ms. Diana Wilson, Secretary Arkansas Public Service Commission P. O. Box 400 1000 Center Street Little Rock, AR 72203-0400

Re:

Originating Docket:

03-139-U

Report Docket:

86-033-A

Pursuant to Order No. 2

In the Matter of the Application of Entergy Arkansas, Inc.

for Authorization to Enter Into Certain Financing Transactions During the Years 2004 Through 2006

Dear Ms. Wilson:

Please find attached the original and thirteen copies of Entergy Arkansas, Inc.'s report to the Commission in the above-styled proceedings regarding its October 12, 2004, issuance of \$60,000,000 aggregate principal amount of First Mortgage Bonds. This report is required under Order No. 2 in Docket No. 03-139-U.

Please file this letter and the attached report in the appropriate docket.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC.

ISSUANCE OF FIRST MORTAGAE BONDS: \$60,000,000 6.38% SERIES DUE NOVEMBER 1, 2034

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TRANSACTION ANALYSIS AND RESULTS

On Tuesday, October 12, 2004, Entergy Arkansas, Inc. ("EAI"), issued \$60,000,000 aggregate principal amount of First Mortgage Bonds at an interest rate of 6.38%. The net proceeds will be used to redeem, prior to maturity, \$60million in aggregate liquidation preference of the 8.5% Cumulative Quarterly Income Preferred Securities, Series A, issued by Entergy Arkansas Capital I. First Mortgage Bonds proved to be the best method for financing due to lower pricing and better demand (as compared to unsecured debt) in the current market environment. The new bonds mature in thirty years and are callable at par after five years.

The net proceeds from the issuance were \$59,415,600 after deducting underwriting expenses. Additional expenses are estimated to be approximately \$270,000. Actual expenses will not be known for several months subsequent to closing.

SUMMARY OF TERMS

Principal Amount: \$60,000,000 Maturity Date: \$11/1/2034

Optional Call Provisions: Make-whole call until 11/1/09, then callable at par

Underwriters: Calyon and Citigroup (Joint Book-Runners)

Stephens Inc. (Co-Managers)

30 Year Treasury Yield @ Pricing:4.92%Spread to Treasury:1.46%Yield to Public:6.387%Coupon Rate:6.38%

SUMMARY OF TERMS (CONTINUED)

Price to Public:99.901%Underwriters' Compensation:.875%Price to Company:99.026%Proceeds to Company:\$59,415,600

JOURNAL ENTRIES

Exhibit A shows journal entries related to the issuance of the new series of First Mortgage Bonds.

ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC. ENTRIES TO RECORD THE ISSUANCE OF \$60,000,000 REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS

Entry No. 1

Cash
Unamortized Debt Expense – FMB (Underwriting Fee)
Unamortized Discount on Long Term Debt
Long Term Debt – First Mortgage Bonds

\$59,415,600
\$525,000
\$59,400
\$60,000,000

To record the sale of \$60,000,000 principal amount of 6.38% Entergy Arkansas, Inc. First Mortgage Bonds, due November 1, 2034, and the related underwriting fee.

Entry No. 2

Unamortized Debt Expense – FMB Cash

\$*

\$*

To record expenses in connection with the issuance of \$60,000,000 principal amount of 6.38% Entergy Arkansas, Inc. First Mortgage Bonds, due November 1, 2034 (*Total expenses are estimated to be approximately \$270,000. Actual expenses will not be known for several months subsequent to closing.)

Entry No. 3

Amortization – Discount on Long Term Debt Unamortized Discount on Long Term Debt

\$1,980

\$1,980

To record the annual amortization of debt discount in connection with the issuance of \$60,000,000 principal amount of 6.38% Entergy Arkansas, Inc. First Mortgage Bonds, due November 1, 2034.

ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC

I, Nathan E. Langston, Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer, attest on this day of October, 2004, that the journal entries attached as Exhibit A correctly reflect the effect of the sale on October 12, 2004 of \$60,000,000, 6.38% Entergy Arkansas, Inc. First Mortgage Bonds due November 1, 2034.

Nathan & Langston Nathan E. Langston

Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer